

SENATOR TOM UDALL:

A BOLD VOICE FOR SMART FOREIGN POLICY AND AN END TO ENDLESS WAR

Tom Udall has represented a consistent moral and pragmatic voice on U.S. foreign policy. Tom has repeatedly led efforts to focus on our core national security interests, end America's endless wars and restore the power to declare war to Congress. Tom has been a consistent supporter of American diplomacy and smart power, and has warned against the increased militarization of U.S. foreign policy. In 2002, he made a principled stand and voted against the Iraq war authorization in the House of Representatives. Tom has also championed bipartisan efforts to build international conservation programs, strengthen international peaceful use of space and protect human rights around the world.

Tom has led the effort to end America's endless wars in the Middle East, restore the American people's voice in key foreign policy decisions, and foster international cooperation.

As a senior member of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, and co-founder and co-chair of the International Conservation Caucus, Tom has been at the center of the effort to bring American troops home, prevent further unconstitutional wars, and build a more sustainable future for children across the world.



A COMMONSENSE APPROACH TO AMERICA'S ROLE ABROAD

Tom is the lead author of the bipartisan Prevention of Unconstitutional War with Iran Act and author of the **AFGHAN Service Act**, a bill that would end America's longest war and honor the volunteers who served our nation. Tom has also consistently championed congressional war powers, speaking out against both Democratic and Republican administrations that bypass Congress—and the American people's—inherent right to make such critically important decisions.

“It is the American people’s 535 representatives in Congress who have the power under the U.S. Constitution to enter into war. Not one person. Not even the president.” -U.S. Senator Tom Udall



Tom has a clear record on defending Congressional war powers in the Constitution, including:

- A bipartisan bill and amendment that would block an unconstitutional war with Iran, which Udall first introduced in 2018. Udall worked to gain majority bipartisan support to block the president from starting an offensive war with Iran without express congressional authorization.
- The AFGHAN Service Act, a bipartisan effort that would responsibly end America's longest war by sunseting the 2001 bill authorizing the use of force, honor the volunteers who bravely serve our nation, and redirect the savings from ending the war in Afghanistan to America's needs at home.
- Udall repeatedly championed Senate efforts to prevent the executive branch from stretching beyond recognition the Authorization for the Use of Military Force (AUMF) that Congress passed for the war in Afghanistan to justify new troops on the ground in Libya and Syria. Udall included an amendment in the FY 2014 Defense Appropriations Act to ban funds from being used in Syria in violation of the War Powers Act.
- Udall included a provision in DOD appropriations legislation to bar the use of funds for unauthorized ground forces in Syria and introduced a bipartisan bill to prevent the U.S. from selling deadly weapons to terrorists in Syria, many of whom later received arms that were legally sold to rebel groups with Al-Qaeda and ISIS sympathizers.



A VOICE FOR DIPLOMACY AND MULTILATERAL COOPERATION

Tom has introduced legislation that would cement the U.S. commitment to responsible and peaceful leadership abroad, recognizing that U.S. interests are inextricably tied to the well-being of the international community of nations.

Tom has supported U.S. multilateral commitments and efforts, including:

- A resolution to maintain U.S. leadership in outer space and to ensure that all nations cooperate to **promote the peaceful use of space** for research and commerce. Udall later secured language in a key NASA funding bill to bring the U.S. closer to these principles, clean up space waste, and improve space traffic management.
- Strong and consistent condemnations of the Trump administration's reckless abandonment of diplomacy with China in favor of ill-advised rhetoric and actions that put the United States on the path towards a new Cold War
- Long-standing support for Israel's right to exist and maintaining its qualified military edge while insisting on a **diplomatic two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict**. Introduced an amendment to support sharing of directed energy technology with Israel, an amendment to reaffirm longstanding U.S. policy that opposes Israeli settlements in the West Bank and recognizes them as obstacles to peace, and cosponsored an amendment barring Israel from using U.S. security funds to illegally annex additional Palestinian territory.



- Supported smart and realistic policy on U.S.-Cuban relations, including ending the counterproductive U.S. embargo against Cuba. Udall also introduced legislation to expand internet access in Cuba that the Senate Appropriations Committee later unanimously supported as an amendment.



- Chaired the 50th U.S. – Mexico Interparliamentary Group Meeting in Washington D.C., which brought together members of the Mexican and U.S. Senates to discuss multilateral issues including counternarcotics, smart border security, and economic development in both countries.
- A resolution to shine a light on possible U.S. involvement in past atrocities committed in Indonesia, and to declassify information on in those atrocities.

- Increased funding for demining and legacy waste cleanup the U.S. left behind during foreign wars such as Vietnam.



- Increased funding for the Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunisations, and funding for numerous health programs overseas, including PEPFAR, the Presidents Malaria Initiative, and maternal and child health programs.
- Backed continued multilateral cooperation through his continued strong support of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (the Iran Nuclear Agreement) and opposition to the Trump maximum pressure campaign which aims to unravel it, and support of numerous treaties considered by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

LEADING INTERNATIONAL CONSERVATION AND CLIMATE ACTION

Tom was an original co-founder of the **U.S. Congressional International Conservation Caucus (ICCF)**, now the second largest Congressional caucus, to advance conservation of natural resources across the globe.

- **Tropical Forest Conservation Act (TFCA):** Tom secured the bipartisan reauthorization of TFCA for the first time in 8 years. This program has saved more than 67 million acres of tropical forest. To date, the TFCA program has sequestered 56 million metric tons of carbon dioxide.
- As co-chair of the ICCF, Tom worked on a bipartisan basis to fund U.S. international conservation efforts, including cracking down on poaching and wildlife trafficking by international criminal organizations, defending these programs from budget cuts.
- Tom was one of ten Senate Democrats from the Foreign Relations Committee to attend the United Nations Conference on Climate Change in Paris, France in 2015. He fought the Trump Administration's efforts to withdraw the U.S. from the Paris Accord.

